ST PETER & ST PAUL'S CHURCH, AYLESFORD



Short Spoken HOLY COMMUNION

Lent 4 - 14th March 2021

Greeting

The Lord be with you. And also with you.

Prayer of Preparation

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hidden: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Liturgy of the Sacrament

The Peace

Introduction to the Peace

Clothe yourselves with love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony, and let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts. The peace of the Lord be always with you. And also with you.

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

The Eucharistic Prayer

The Lord is here. His Spirit is with us.

Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give thanks and praise.

... the song of your eternal joy. Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

Great is the mystery of faith: Christ has died: Christ is risen: Christ will come again.

... Trinity of mercy and love. **Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer

As our Saviour taught us, so we pray:

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and for ever. Amen.

Breaking of the Bread

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ. Though we are many, we are one body, because we all share in one bread.

Preparation

Thanks be to you, Lord Jesus Christ, for all the benefits you have given me, for all the pains and insults you have borne for me. Since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, I ask you to come spiritually into my heart. O most merciful redeemer, friend and brother, may I know you more clearly, love you more dearly, and follow you more nearly, day by day. Amen.

Be known to us in breaking bread, But do not then depart; Saviour, abide with us, and spread Your table in our heart. James Montgomery

Prayer after Communion

Lord God, whose blessed Son our Saviour gave his back to the smiters and did not hide his face from shame: give us grace to endure the sufferings of this present time with sure confidence in the glory that shall be revealed; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Followed by

O God, help us to trust you, help us to know that you are with us, help us to believe that nothing can separate us from your love revealed in Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Lord, in these days of mercy, **make us quiet and prayerful;**

in these days of challenge, make us stronger in you; in these days of emptiness, take possession of us;

in these days of waiting, open our hearts to the mystery of your cross. Angela Ashwin

Sending

Blessing

Go forth into the world in peace; be of good courage; hold fast that which is good; render to no one evil for evil; strengthen the fainthearted; support the weak; help the afflicted; honour everyone; love and serve the Lord, rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit;

And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always. **Amen**.

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. In the name of Christ. Amen.

Copyright acknowledgment (where not already indicated above):

Some material included in this service is copyright: ©The Archbishops' Council 2000.